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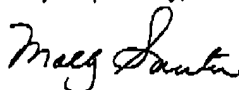
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Dear Examiner Alanko:

In response to the non-final office action mailed April 19, 2006, we enclose the following:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated August 21, 2006 - (2 pages);
- 2) Petition and Fee for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) – (2 pages);
- 3) Amendment B with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated August 21, 2006 – (9 pages);
- 4) Five (5) sheets of replacement figures; and
- 5) Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$60.00 – (1 page).

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Application No. : 10/710,984 Confirmation No.: 9395
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicants are independent inventors.

EXTENSION OF TERM

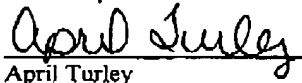
3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that an extension of term is required. Petition and Fee for Extension of Time is attached hereto.

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(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

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No additional fee for claims is required.

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